INSIDE:

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THE LTI HARPOON

Major Battle Looms Over Naming Of **Student Union**

A major battle is forming among administrators, students, and state administrators over the naming of our newest building.

With dedication ceremonies slated for the late '70's names are being bandied about by all parties concerned. Students, in an overwhelming vote taken last week, would like to name the building after a cartoon character or a drug.

Many administrators have suggested that their names be used, each claiming that the S.U. was "my idea all along."

State officials have been making frequent visits to LTI to monitor the progress of the building and it was reported that one state administrator was dragged from the structure not too long ago. He was reported to have been hacking away at the front of the building with a hammer and chisel, screaming "it's mine, mine, all

The trustees will have to choose between nine names presently under consideration. Three names each have been suggested administration and state officials.

Three student factions have each submitted

one name.

ROTC-War Memorial Student and Dormitory Complex

Freaks-Drug Induced High Rise Straights-Walt Disney World

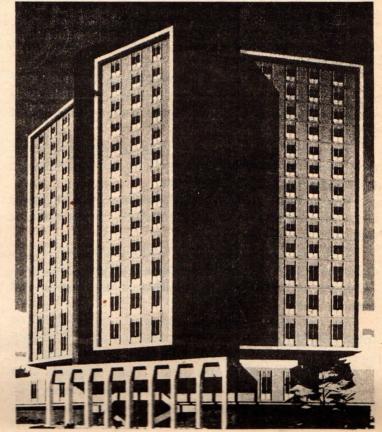
Administrators have suggested:

Anthony Iarrapino Memorial High Dormitory, Cafeteria, and Student Complex.

The LTI Board of Trustees High Rise Dormitory, Elevator, Shower and Student Complex.

Last and least an anonymous write-in drive has been organized by some-one in Florida to name the building after a once-prominent LTI administrator.

State officials also have their own ideas about the naming of the building. The names Volpe and Sargent have both been suggested. Another mysterious write-in campaign, also based in Florida (reportedly Disney World), has been pushing the name of a prominent national Republican leader. Nixon, however, has denied reports that he wants the building named after him saying "I'll settle for the presidency of the Institute in '76."



Seniors Get Preferences

Last week at 3pm. Seniors jammed into Cumnock Hall to the first floor broom closet for their first overflow crowd at a convocation this year. At this meeting senior class president, Karen "What the Dickens" Sun announced that the administration had finally given into senior demands and in some cases gave the Class of 72 more than they bargained for.

On the issue of separate Day and Evening Division graduations, the administration agreed to a separate graduation ceremony for each graduating senior. They also added that the ceremony can take place on the athletic field, in a dorm room, in B214, wherever the individual student wishes, providing he makes an appointment seven

Miss Sun reporting more bright and happy news said that President Wholesome would gladly hand out blank degrees to graduating seniors who wanted them instead of the regular ones. He also added that he couldn't understand why the administration did not give in on this issue years ago, since blank diplomas cost the institute less money. Seniors, Karen pointed out, can wear anything or nothing they want to graduation and that caps and gowns can be ordered at the LTI Rookstore.

Plans were also announced for Senior Day, Senior Weekend, Senior Week, Senior Month, and Senior Year. The graduation speaker it was announced will speak at noon on Senior Day since there is to be no group graduation. This year's speaker will be Curtis T. James who will talk on the topic "How to Chair a Bored" and will be available to autograph his book, Jimmies Rules of Order.

The class gift, which will be a statue that will stand on top of Cumnock Hall, is to be unveiled during Senior Day ceremonies. The status is a 25' (the seniors only requested a 12' model) mechanical Mickey Mouse that can operate a six foot slide rule.

LOCAL POLICEMAN **GAINS RECOGNITION**

Congratulations are in order for officer No. 40, for after 25 years of dedicated parking lot service, he has finally gotten an article written about himself. Through the years officer No. 40 (let's call him "40") has roamed the streets of Tech seeking parked automobiles in prohibited areas. Since the destruction of our only two parking lots last year "40" has enjoyed popularity unparalleled by any of his peers. So in tribute to this service that officer 40 has voluntarily bestowed upon the Tech community we dedicate this article to him "A Day In The Life Of Officer 40"

On this particular "Day In The Life" it started out typical enough with a call from the local towing service informing "40" that things were pretty quiet down at the station. Jumping into his newly acquired Cadillac, "40" races to his secret "headquarters" and quickly changes into his 1971 Buick to begin the day as "Officer 40, Cop Out On Crime." Speeding up Merrimack St. "40" passes a local merchant being held up by a Hells Angel home on leave from the Billerica Prison. Then turning down Pawtucket St. he avoids a ten car pile up on the bridge to arrive on Textile Ave. in time for the 9:00 parking rush. Cruising surrepticiously

down Plymouth St. "40" sees his first hit, a VW with the ensignia on it, "work with the police in your community." Taking out his surveying equipment "40" quickly calculates the turning angles and wind variances of the parking spot and decides it is illegal. Upon deciding this, "40" quickly makes some commission arrangements to have the car towed away. Ten minutes later the car is towed away and "40" has that new tape deck for his Cadillac that he's been waiting

By this time "40" has gotten a bit hungry so he decides to ticket the owner of the Smith Hall Cafeteria's car, and then maybe get some free food as a bribe. Well, to the dismay of "40" all he got to eat that day was the same ticket he had put on that very same vehicle.

Due to this frustrating incident, "40" decided that it was time to repay society for the injustice that had just been dealt him. Just like he had seen in the

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What, Me Worry?

TEXT Editor Frank put up with it." McLaughlin, talking to reporters reasons for putting out the LTI Harpoon.

Said McLaughlin "This is my last issue, why should I worry?" When questioned as to the alleged bad taste of the newspaper he replied, "Well if people are stupid enough to eat a newspaper, they'll just have to

After the conference, the last Thursday night, listed his four staff members released a statement concerning McLaughlin. It read "We wouldn't let that dink lead us to the men's room."

> McLaughlin has declined to run for re-election after staff members tried to impeach him on the average of twice a month throughout his entire term.



EDITORIALS

OPINIONS

"A Kabosh A Day"

"Three Kaboshes and you're out" is a familiar expression heard around the Student Activities Area. We can only disagree.

Indeed, LTI has been, as a once prominent Institute official said "a new experiment . . . which will start a trend throughout the country."

Today with all of us competing and displaying our wares on the job market of life, it is nice to see that the winds of deceit and ignorance still buffet the "Normal Student."

One might ask "How can I help my school" a smart reply made by many is "drop out". We can not advocate this or even condone such behavior.

When a student comes to LTI, he's here. What happens after that is mainly up to the individual. Some make it, some graduate, some . . .

Sure you can cop out on life. There are many ways . . . drugs, alcohol, books, a steady job and family and money. All guarantee to keep you a safe distance from reality. But who are you?

So now you're out on your own, in the dark, no friends, no job, in a one room cold water apartment with no furniture and only an LTI diploma to light the way.

Where can you go for help? Your advisor?, your mom?, the USO?, the YMCA?, or maybe Radio Free Europe. None of these, you are your own last resort. What words can you find solace in? We think we have a short phrase that will help you through your darkest hours-"Three Kaboshes and you're out."

The Relevancy of Fraternity Life

We here at Tappa Nu Keg hear much about the fact that many people feel fraternities are out of touch with modern day society. They say that we are only organized to have a good time and that we are irrelevant in the modern scheme of things. This is lots of horseshit.

Just the other night the boys got really bombed and sat down and watched the David Suskind Show. After that we had a rap session on whether or not it is morally right to "make it" with a chick under 16. We feel it is up to the individual.

The individual is also important at Tappa Nu Keg. If it weren't for individuals you Where would this country be it's what you're not.

without groups? We ourselves like Alice Cooper and Mountain but we allow other brothers to listen to whatever they like.

At Tappa Nu Keg the majority rules. Just the other night we passed a motion to let Jake go to the bathroom (he had been waiting for two days.)

Well on to important business. We had a BMF party the other night because Harry (our pet mongoose) ate Jim's entire mink farm-TFB Jim!

Our WBA from LTI dropped some STP and really FFO. He went to LA and the JWB'd with some LDQ's he met while

Remember at Tappa Nu Keg couldn't make up a group. it's not what you are that counts

PARIETAL REGRESS REPORT

The 24-hour dormitory parietal policy at Lowell Tech was repealed by the LTI Board of Trustees because it "was not in the best interests of the Institute."

"In arriving at this decision" Board Chairman Curtis T. James said, "we were mindful that due cognizance had to be given to restraints external to the Institute-other facets of education, such as secondary schools, graduate and professional schools, economic and social trends, mores of the local as well as the larger community."

President Wholesome added "Furthermore, it is doubtful that retention of this policy would significantly enhance the learning environment of this campus, and there is good reason to believe that the Development and Admissions programs of the Institute would be adversely affected."

As usual the once prominent LTI administrator was unavailable for comment.

Public Relations Director Frank MacRath said that he was happy the change was made since, by mistake the 24-hour parietal provision was inadvertently left out of next year's catalogue.



CONFUSION ON THE MERRIMACK

Last Thursday, the LTI ROTC Department, in for your life." MIT (center right) would have won conjunction with the rowing club, sponsored their annual war games on the Merrimack. This year's games were quite successful due to the better facilities in the new boat house which permitted coffee and donuts to be served after the battle.

Seven of the areas schools were represented in the games. All the schools had planned strategies which fell apart as the battle transformed into a demolition derby. Lowell Tech (far right of picture) was the only school who was able to retain their strategy and faired better than all the other schools by following their battle cry; "Row

the contest, but they were disqualified for using a motor-boat.

Millions of spectators crowded the shores to cheer on their schools and were entertained by a fantastic half-time show where the LTI cheerleaders performed miraculous acrobatic feats on the water surface. They were then rushed to Lowell General.

Commander Cody termed this years war games "a huge regress" and is looking forward to next year's international war games which will be held on the Yangtze River.

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Respectfully submitted,

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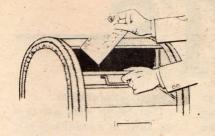
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formulation of these proposals.

CUT-OUT

At one time or another during your stay at Lowell Tech you'll probably have to write a memo to somebody about something. The purpose of a memorandum is to confuse the party that you are writing to to such a degree that he is unable to reply. The TEXT as a public service prints a standard memo stolen from the desk of a prominent student official.

Subject: Minority faction of the subcommittee to examine feasible revampments of the cur-
rently employed,composed solely and primarily of the above mentioned.
Whereas, being duly elected by a vote of the student body as their recognized
representative to the ruling body of this institute and acting as sentinel of students rights and
freedoms as aptly stated in the Key, I call your attention to a most deplorable and
insalubritous situation.
Previous to proposing my expostulations, I should like to preface, that this document
should not be misconstrued as a derogatory incrimination of our unerring administration,
but only as a logical and valid scheme to solvate the presently patronized
Having amassed pertinent references, I shall attempt to differentiate some of the more
minute discrepancies. The situation in objection raises serious questions as to the relevance
of the current. A more significant and pragmatic approach is in order. Having
consulted intimately with the involved parties, I now intend to illuminate the oblique
paradoxes of the current which are stated simply as follows:
1. The innate misconstruction of theat hand denotes an autonomous system
completely ambiguous in nature.
2. The multifaceted resolutions are both diverse in application and vague in nature. Inquiring
as to the opinion of(person) who after much vacuous deliberation, seemed to agree
wholeheartedly but promoted caution in respect to the quotation of his expounditures.
3. The aura of arbitrary responsibility inherent in the existingsuggest that a meticulous
reevaluation is in order.
It is only through fastidious perusal that a coalition of students, faculty and Trustees can
synthesize a motif which would satisfy the stringent requisits of each faction. The
promiscuity of the administrative recommendations must be re-examined in the light of
veracity and responsibility.
Therefore, it is the contention of the minority that the following be expediently
implemented:
1. The institution of a policy that would surfeit to extricate the bureaucratic embellishments
so evidenced in the present
2. A sincere call to relevance; to rally around the pillar of timeliness in revamping the
currently incorporated
3. A logical working administrative system which would serve as the genesis for adequate
organizational liabilities to replace the presently antiquated machinery which is entangled in
the cobwebs of its own ambiguities.
In registering these recommendations, I have attempted to be as comprehensive as possible
in the itinerary of my research and to consider the best interests of all parties in the



All letters reflecting poorly on the editor-in-chief, managing editor, or the newspaper in general will probably not be printed. All other letters will be left to the discretion of the editor.

One Point for Tech

Personally, I'm sick of hearing about how rotten life here at Tech is. When you take a realistic view, this is really a great school. One of the biggest complaints here is the food. I can't understand this because I find the food here quite tasteful with a great deal of variety. Another complaint is the social life. What's a college for anyway? The week should be devoted to academics and the student can get all the social life he wants when he goes home on the weekends. More females on campus? All we need is a Women's Lib club to fund with our activities fee. When are girls going to realize that a college education for them is useless because they just end up getting married and staying at home. Student apathy is another point that's always being brought up. If I didn't care, then how come I have a 3.2 overall cume? The student activists should realize that there are more important things than the Student Council, the Techs and WILTY, and besides, all their cumes are only around 2.0.

When I graduate from here, I'll be making close to \$20,000 a year, only because I made the most of my college education here at Tech, and I challenge any of those food-fighters or girls or activists to a debate on that radio station or in public to prove me wrong. Lowell Institute of Technology is a great school.

(Name withheld by request)

What Gives?

Why do you always keep writing about the same old shit? Student Council, trustees (who are they anyway?) it really stinks. And those editorials. What asshole writes them? Why don't you do something useful like a feature story on the dudes who hang out in Eames Hall Lounge and play cards all day long. They're more interesting than any old article about the trustees (who are they anyway?). So that's what I think of your piece of shit newspaper, remember the Queen of Spades is king so

Buzz off, A Literate Friend

WHICH TEXT?

My teacher is always referring to the text in his classes. A lot of times I really get confused. I don't know whether he means my text book or the "Text". Sometimes it gets really funny when I pull out the wrong onc (ha Ha). Could you please change name to the TEXT NEWSPAPER and give the little guy

Thanks.

Gay Graffiti

Dear Sir,

Something has been bothering me for a long time and I just had to write you about it.

I'm a transfer student from a real co-ed school and am sick of reading all the perverted graffiti on the lav walls. You're probably saying now "this guy has a lot of nerve doesn't he know about free speech?"-well I do but this letter is a call for more heterosexual graffiti.

Why do I always have to read about the same old things-I tell you I'm fed up. Where I used to go you could read normal graffiti-you know-about the real thing. Here, reading the walls is like picking up the wrong book at the combat zone book store.

So how about it guys-let's get on the ball-here's your big chance so don't blow it.



One of our roving photographers, who spent his vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, photographed this distinguished LTI dignitary.

Letters Let Me Get You Totalled

by Keg and the Family Shitface

away from this great city and spring is here. Now it's time for us to do our own ploughing. We've been bottled up in the dormitories all winter now, but finally the Buds of spring are here.

Oh yes, let us introduce ourselves; we're Keg and the Family Shitface, as far as we can remember. We just got back from a vacation in Florida where we enjoyed a little southern comfort for a week. What a week! We stayed in the Carlton Hotel in Dallas and we discovered some very interesting games to play while consuming the old nector. One game is played by covering the top of a glass of beer with a piece of toilet paper held on by an elastic and placing a dime in the middle of the paper. Each individual in turn proceeds to burn a whole in the paper with a cigarette. The person who causes the dime to fall into the glass has to drink the contents, including the ashes and excluding the dime if possible.

After a half hour game of that, we played the

Well, folks, all the snow has been ploughed conventional game of BUZZ and so cannot relate to you any of the other games we played that night, understandably.

> It has been brought to our attention that the consumption age in our commonwealth is to be lowered to 18. We have observed that in all the other states that have made this policy change, it became effective almost immediately upon passage through the legislature, but here, it will not become effective for about a year. What a state

> Well, our supplies are dwindling and we are probably becoming inadherent, so we'll be singing off. Look for our next article where we'll be discussing the pro's of using consumption as a defense mechanism. Until then, remember us, cause we probably won't remember anyone or anything, and above all remember:

"The only good shitface is a total shitface."

Piece

Local Policeman

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cowboy pictures "40" decided to lay an ambush. Since he couldn't find any "ambushes" to "40" decided to do something else. He drove down to the end of Smith Hall and disguised himself as a student by pretending to be asleep. With one eye slightly opened, "40" kept a sharp lookout on the surroundings with the use of his Dick Tracy mirror ring which he had obtained earlier at breakfast. It was no more than ten minutes later that "40" saw what he'd been waiting for. A decrepit Volkswagon with a long-hair in the driver's seat was coming down the road towards him. As soon as the VW had passed him "40" jumped into action. After the VW had made the turn onto the V.F.W. "40", utilizing all of his 25 years of cop experience, flipped on his siren and with his 450hp V8 engine he took off in hot pursuit of the old decrepit 36 hp VW. After a tough chase down Plymouth street "40" was finally able to force the VW over to the curb. (The VW had gotten stuck in the snow, or maybe the long-hair would have made it!) With the residents of annex 5 as his gallery, "40" jumped from his car and began his act:

for that vehicle?

Freak: Well, huh, my roommate has it.

"40": Just as I thought, driving with intent to discredit your roommate.

Freak: No sir, actually his credit is pretty bad already!

"40": Oh talking back hugh, OK then how about verbally confusing an officer in the line of duty?

Freak: But officer, sir, I was only being straight with you. "40": Ah Ha, driving under the

influence of non-intoxicating

Freak: But sir, I wasn't "doing up" anything wrong.

"40": Oh, OK in that case then take this free wallet size photo of me and ten tickets to a policeman getting balled and I'll let vou go

Well obviously officer "40" "40": Where's your registration had once again succeeded in his fight against crime on the streets of the city. The day had been tough but the rewards numerous. After hooking up his new tape deck "40" is seen cruising silently towards the sunset in his new Cadillac with his favorite songs "Real Sound Affects of U.S. Bombers Destroying Communes in the Midwest" playing methodically

TECH **HAPPENINGS**

WEAK OF APRIL 18-23

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



WLTI **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

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MONDAY

10:00am-Coffee Hour-Area housewives call in to discuss the anxiety of making the black brew.

11:00am-Involvement-Area housewives call in to discuss the problems of being area housewives. 12:00-News-Rebroadcast from WBCN

1:00pm-Lowell Tech News and Editorial

1:01pm-Metamorphosis of a Duck-A two-hour long discussion on the problems of growing up in early 15th century Turkey.

3:00pm-Instant Insanity-An Interview with Chairman of the Board of the LTI trustees James T.

6:00pm-News-Rebroadcast of 12:00 news

7:00pm-Jay Oynt-Progressive

10:00pm-The Music of Latvia

TUESDAY

10:00am-Coffee Hour-Three economists recently released from the LTI College of Management discuss the rise and fall of Juan

11:00am-Involvement-A rebroadcast of the old 50's serial.

12:00-News-A rebroadcast of Monday's News.

1:00pm-Lowell Tech Social

1:01pm-Tomatoes-Fact or Fiction-Two farmers and a duck discuss the ultimate reality of the tomato.

3:00pm-Instant Insanity-An interview with Dean King.

6:00pm-News-A rebroadcast of the 12:00 news

7:00pm-Bilbo Baggins-There and Back Again

10:00pm-The Music of Palo Alto.

WEDNESDAY

10:00am - Coffee Hour-Two ex-coughies discuss how they kicked the habit.

11:00am-Involvement-The Dawn of the new material vegetation is discussed by two pears, a head (of lettuce) and a duck.

12:00--News-A rebroadcast of Tuesday's News

1:00pm-Culture at Tech

1:01pm-Korean Diary-Richard 10:00pm-Music of the Third Nixon tells part sixteen of this thirty Congressional District.

part documentary. Today: Next Stop Viet Nam.

3:00pm-Instant Insanity-An interview with President of the Student Council-Philip J. Morrissey 6:00pm-News-A rebroadcast of 12:00 news

7:00pm-TomTwistounge-Progressive Rocks

10:00pm-The Music of the Merrimack Valley.

THURSDAY

10:00am-Coffee Hour-Danny Thomas and the Maxwell House Singers host the Prickly Heat Telethon.

11:00am-Involvement-Four Lowell Tech students discuss the relevance

of a college education (Fantasy) 12:00-News-A rebroadcast of Wednesday's news

1:00pm-The LTI Intellectual Speaks

1:01pm-Modern Day Challenges-A scientist discusses the possibilities of controlling the world through the use of recycled Monkee albums in the form of hard cash.

3:00pm-Instant Insanity-An interview with the LTI Counselling staff

6:00pm-News-Rebroadcast of 12:00 News

7:00pm-Classical Music-Opus 12, Vol. 2 Section 3 Verse 4 Lines 2 and

10:00pm-Music of Iceland

FRIDAY

10:00am - Coffee Hour-A summary of the week's programs.

11:00am-Involvement-Two Text staff members discuss the Editor's disappearing constitution trick.

12:00-News-A rebroadcast of Thursday's News.

1:00pm-The Lowell Tech View (Comedy).

1:01pm-The Round Table-How to make one, what to do with it when you get it, and what to do with the extra papers.

3:00pm-Instant Insanity-ROTC freaks recite the phonetic alphabet in Spanish, Latin and Greek.

6:00pm-News-A rebroadcast of 12:00 News.

7:00pm-Soul-The Jackson Five have it out with the Partridge Family.



THE QUESTION OF WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF ALL THE TOILETS IN BOTH LEITCH AND BOURGEOIS HALLS WERE FLUSHED AT ONCE IS A TOPIC OF FREQUENT DISCUSSION AMONG DORM STUDENTS. NOT TOO LONG AGO, ABOUT 100 ENERGETIC STUDENTS SYNCHRONIZED WATCHES AND FLUSHED AWAY. A TEXT PHOTOGRAPHER WAS OUTSIDE TO RECORD THE RESULTS

SPORTS-

FOUR

Last week a small group of women's lib advocates, backed by the vice squad of the Lowell Police Department, tried to halt a recent LTI varsity baseball game by claiming that the so-called All-American game was just another example of male chauvinism and that the terminology that was used in public at the games was obscene and indecent.

On the way to "ball park",

three fem-libbers broke away from the group and tore down signs that were advertising "box seats."

Once inside the park, the police couldn't arrest the players fast enough. The first player that was nabbed, was quoted as saying, "The only way I'm going to get to first base, is on a base on balls."

After he was arrested, one of the alert women guided the police to the "mound" where the "pitcher's rubber" was quickly confiscated. The pitcher was then arrested on a number of charges such as "working from the stretch", trying to pitch the ball "down the pipe," and for attempting "to knock

the batter out of the box."

The visiting team was then taken away in a paddywagon as they tried to execute a "squeeze play." If that wasn't bad enough, their baserunner was also charged with "sliding into the old bag."

As the home team coach was claiming that this was only a "bush league" game, his team was taken in for "playing the field."

Don't worry fans. Everything was "straightened out" at police headquarters between the "ball" teams and the women's lib group. At that time it was announced that everyone will be back in the groove soon.

Squash Away Bob

The LTI Squash team led by fearless Bob Hogan easily defeated MIT last Thursday morning 139 to 48. LTI managed to squash 139 cockroaches in just one hour. Tech squashers had the decided advantage over MIT however since the Tech players can practice 24 hours a day. Also there is no expense for the Tech squashers to buy roaches since they are in such abundance on the campus.

MIT jumped out to a quick lead in the first fifteen minutes of the contest 34 to 23 as Tech was holding back playing a conservative game and waiting for the big inning.

when Hogan found the roaches next three years.

breeding grounds in an isolated corner of the gym. When Tech called its final time out in the final quarter to clean their shoes they had rolled up an unbelievable 109 to 45 lead. At this point the Terriers substituted freely to ease the loss for MIT.

The Terriers squashers now have a 5-0 record for the young season and things are continuing to look bright as the team will LTI really made a killing have Hogan returning for the

Are you losing touch with reality?



Mother disapprove of your friends?



Find relief in the comforting knowledge that you have someone to turn to. Someone who is qualified, who cares, and can really help you. You have a friend in the LTI counselling staff. This dedicated staff of trained personnel can put you back in touch with reality, set you up with respectable friends and show you a pit full of past

Their offices are located in the basement.

Remember: Just because you're not paranoid, doesn't mean people aren't after you.